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SIR:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 18, 2002 OFFICE  
ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to a December 18, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 18, 2002 Office Action was originally due March 18, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a three month extension of time for a small entity is \$465.00 and a check in this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the December 18, 2002 Office Action is now due June 18, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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